

## More than 35 Groups Demand Chief Craig's Resignation, End to Police Violence

*Press conference, solidarity statement add to mounting pressure for Detroit police changes from top-down*

**DETROIT** – Representatives from more than 35 grassroots community organizations will hold a press conference Thursday morning calling for an end to police violence against protestors and for the resignation of Chief James Craig. The General Baker Institute, Community Movement Builders, the Black Brown Alliance of the Detroit Democratic Socialists of America, Black Youth Project 100, the James & Grace Lee Boggs Center to Nurture Community Leadership, Moratorium Now, and the East Michigan Environmental Action Council, will be among those sharing the collective statement and remarks at The Shed at Martz Park on Flanders St on the eastside of Detroit.

Their collective statement cites Saturday, August 22 as a major escalation in the already unacceptable level of police abuse and violence against protestors. The coalition supports the recently announced lawsuit filed by Detroit Will Breathe to stop police violence. But they also note the absurdity of having to spend public money to defend people against what is ostensibly, their own police department. It is yet another reason the coalition has joined the growing calls for James Craig to no longer head the Detroit Police Department.

**When:** Thursday, September 3 – 11:00 a.m.

**Where:** [The Shed at Martz Park 11530 Flanders St, Detroit, MI 48205](#)

*\* List of Coalition Members*

Black Brown Alliance branch of Metro Detroit Democratic Socialists of America

Black Youth Project 100 (BYP100)

Community Movement Builders

Detroit Area Youth Uniting Michigan

Detroit Eviction Defense

Detroit Hispanic Development Corporation

Detroit Justice Center

Detroit Solidarity & Defense

Detroit Will Breathe

East Michigan Environmental Action Council (EMEAC)

Garage Cultural

General Baker Institute America

James & Grace Lee Boggs Center to Nurture Community Leadership

Jewish Voice for Peace

Mama Akua House

Metro Detroit Democratic Socialists of America (DSA)

Michigan Caucus of Rank and File Organizers (MI CORE)

Michigan Environmental Justice Coalition

Michigan Liberation

Michigan Students Dream

Moratorium Now Coalition

Motor City Street Dance Academy

Movimiento Cosecha – Detroit

One Michigan for Immigrant Rights

One Michigan for the Global Majority

Palestinian Youth Movement  
Queer Pride Detroit  
Rapid Response Detroit  
Riverwise Magazine  
Showing Up for Racial Justice Metro Detroit  
St. Peter's Episcopal Church  
Sunrise- Detroit  
Sunrise – Michigan  
Take On Hate  
We The People of Michigan  
We Want Green Too  
Yemen Liberation Movement